

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/509,889

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12/13/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-12.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-12 are allowed.

Consider **claims 1-6**, the best prior art of record found during examination of the present application, Toyoda et al. (U.S. Pub. # 20030119464 A1), discloses a reception circuit that has a low noise amplifier (LNA) 13 connected to a quadrature demodulator 14 and the gain of the low noise amplifier is changeable with the gain control signal from gain control signal generator 23 (paragraph 0027-0028).

However, Toyoda et al. fails to specifically disclose, teach or suggest a quadrature demodulator connected with a *serial capacitance to an output of [the] low noise amplifying circuit with the high gain* of [the] low noise amplifier and *directly connected to an output of said low noise amplifying circuit with the low gain* as claimed in the present application.

Therefore, claims 1-6 of the present application are considered novel and non-obvious over the prior art and, consequently, are allowed.

Consider **claims 7-12**, the best prior art of record found during examination of the present application, Toyoda et al. (U.S. Pub. # 20030119464 A1), discloses a reception circuit that has a low noise amplifier (LNA) 13 connected to a quadrature demodulator 14 and the gain of the low noise amplifier is changeable with the gain control signal from gain control signal generator 23 (paragraph 0027-0028). Toyoda et al. further discloses a reception level detecting means (read as Signal intensity detector

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20, Fig. 1, paragraph 0027-0028) for detecting a level of a reception signal (read as signal intensity) and a control mean (read as the combination of Gain selector 21, Timing controller 22 and Gain control signal generator 23, Fig. 1, paragraph 0027-0028) to control the gain of the LNA 13 according to the reception level (read as signal intensity).

However, Toyoda et al. fails to specifically disclose, teach or suggest a quadrature demodulator connected with a *serial capacitance to an output of [the] low noise amplifying circuit with the high gain* of [the] low noise amplifier and *directly connected to an output of said low noise amplifying circuit with the low gain* as claimed in the present application.

Therefore, claims 7-12 of the present application are considered novel and non-obvious over the prior art and, consequently, are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

2. Any response to this Office Action should be **faxed to (571) 273-8300 or mailed to:**

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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Junpeng Chen whose telephone number is (571) 270-1112. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edan Orgad can be reached on 571-272-7884. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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